

ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE

A rotary clamping device for use in clamping and holding a metal casting tree during cutting of the metal casting tree includes a cylinder having a piston rod for actuating a plurality of clamping jaws. In one embodiment, a conically shaped cam engages exteriorly disposed clamping jaws for urging the jaws in a clamping direction. In another embodiment, an exteriorly located cam urges the jaws in a clamping direction. The number of jaws employed may vary with the shape of the metal casting tree to be gripped.

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